प्रकाशनों के लिए नियमित रूप से विज्ञापन भी दिए जाते हैं । संभावित ग्राहकों को पुस्तक सूचियां भी भेजी जाती हैं ताकि उन्हें विभाग के प्रकाशनों की जानकारी मिलती रहे ।

यह विभाग हर साल अपने परिसर में एक प्रदर्शनी लगाता है जिसमें जाने-माने पुस्तक-विक्रेता और प्रकाशक भी भाग लेते हैं ।

82. *[Transferred to the* 8th. May, 1990].

Arms confiscated in Punjab ;

83. SHRI A. NALLASIVAN: Will the Minister Of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of confis-cated arms of different types lying with the Punjab Government as on date;

(b) what isthe number of weapons of difference types that have been confiscated by the Punjab Government since 1984;

(c) what is the number of persons who have been allotted different types of confiscated weapons in Punjab sines 1984 and the reasons for the allotment;

(d) what are the names of persons Who made request for allotment of confiscated weapons and of those whose requests have been rejected or are pending since 1984 and the reasons therefore and what is the social status of such applicants;

(e) what are the prices of different types of weapons confiscated by the Punjab Government; and

(f) what is the policy of Government in respect of allotment of confiscated weapons of 'P' Bore and 'N.P.'Bore types?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY): (a), *and* (b) A Statement giving available information is attached. [See Appendix CLIV, Arinexure No. 7].

(c) to (f) information about wea pons allotted or cases pending for, allotment or cases rejected and the reasons therefor, the assessed value ot confiscated weapons etc."should be available with the State Government as the matter lies within their juris diction. In so far as the policy in regard to allotment of confiscated prohibited/non-prOhibited bore wea* pons to individuals is concerned it may be stated that the Central Government has not framed any guidelines on the subject.

Passport Office at Jalandhar and Chandigarjh

84. SHRI SAMAR MUKHERJEE: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of applications to. passports received, rejected and pending and the number of passports issued by the Regional Passport Offices Of Jalandhar and Chandigarh during the last three years;

(b) the reasons for keeping the applications pending. and for their rejection;

(c) the number of passports issued by the above passport offices within, one month, two months, three months four months five months and above, of the receipt of application during the last two years; and

(d) whether Government are taking steps to ensure that passports are issued within one or two months of the receipt of an application?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL A!FFAIRS (SHRI I. K. GUJRAL): (a) to (d) Data showing receipt of appli'es*